y is tensile strength [(unit:] <u>in units of kgf/mm<sup>2</sup>[)], and wherein said metallic material has a Young's modulus of 3,000 to 20,000 kgf/mm<sup>2</sup> and a tensile strength of 80 to 400 kgf/mm<sup>2</sup>.</u>

Claim 2 (Amended) A golf club head according to [the] claim 1, wherein said metallic material is  $\underline{an}$  amorphous metal.

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Claim 3 (Amended) A golf club head according to [the] claim 1, wherein said metallic material is  $\underline{an}$  amorphous alloy of  $\underline{a}$  zirconium base.

Claim 4 (Amended) A golf club head according to [the] claim 1, wherein said metallic material is an amorphous alloy comprising the elements Zr, Al, Cu, Ni, and Hf or [said] an amorphorus alloy

comprising the elements Zr, Al, Cu, and Ni.

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Claim 5 (Amended) A golf club head comprising a hitting face for golf balls, the surface of said hitting face being formed at least partially by a metallic material [at least partially,

said metallic] satisfying the following [relation] relationship:

$$z \ge (x/60) + 200$$

wherein x is Young's modulus [(unit:] <u>in units of kgf/mm<sup>2</sup>[)]</u>, and z is Vickers hardness [(unit:] <u>in units of HV[)]</u>, and

wherein said metallic material has a Young's modulus of 3,000 to 20,000 kgf/mm<sup>2</sup> and a Vickers hardness of 250 to 1,000 HV.

<u>Claim 6</u> (Amended) A golf club head according to [the] claim 5, wherein said metallic material is <u>an</u> amorphous metal.

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Claim 7 (Amended) A golf club head according to [the] claim 5, wherein said metallic material is  $\underline{an}$  amorphous alloy of  $\underline{a}$  zirconium base.

Claim 8 (Amended) A golf club head according to [the] claim 1, wherein said metallic material is an amorphous alloy comprising the elements Zr, Al, Cu, Ni, and Hf or [or] an amorphous alloy comprising the elements Zr, Al, Cu, and Ni.

## Please add the following new claims:

said metallic material has a Young's modulus of 5,000 to 20,000 kgf/mm<sup>2</sup> and a tensile strength of 105 to 400 kgf/mm<sup>2</sup>.

metallic material has a Young's modulus of 5,000 to 16,000 kgf/mm<sup>2</sup> and a tensile strength of 130 to 400 kgf/mm<sup>2</sup>.

Claim 11. A golf ball club head according to claim 5, wherein said metallic material has a Young's modulus of 5,000 to 20,000 kgf/mm<sup>2</sup> and a Vickers hardness of 300 to 1,000 kW.

Claim 12. A golf ball club head according to claim 5, wherein said metallic material has a Young's modulus of 5,000 to  $16,000~\rm{kgf/mm^2}$  and a Vickers hardness of 400 to 1,000 HV.

Claim 13. A golf ball club head according to claim 5, wherein said metallic material has a tensile strength of 80 to  $400 \text{ kgf/mm}^2$ .

metallic metal is an amorphous metal expressed by the formula:  $M_aX_b$ , wherein M represents two or more elements selected from the group consisting of Zr, V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Ti, Mo, W, Ca, Li, Mg, Si, Al, Pd and Be; X is an element selected from the group consisting of Y, La, Ce, Sm, Md, Hf, Nb and Ta; and a and b represent atomic percentages in the ranges of  $65 \le a \le 100$  and  $0 \le b \le 35$ , respectively.

Claim 15. A golf ball club according to claim 5, wherein the metallic metal is an amorphous metal expressed by the formula:  $M_a X_b$ , wherein M represents two or more elements selected from the group consisting of Zr, V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Ti, Mo, W, Ca, Li, Mg, Si, Al, Pd and Be; X is an element selected from the group consisting of Y, La, Ce, Sm, Md, Hf, Nb and Ta; and a and b represent atomic percentages in the ranges of  $65 \le a \le 100$  and  $0 \le b \le 35$ , respectively.

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Claim 16. A golf ball head according to claim 1 wherein the metallic material is an amorphous metal of the formula:  $Zr_cM_dX_e$ , wherein Zr is Zirconium; M is an element selected from the group consisting of V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Ti, Mo, W, Ca, Li, Mg, Si, Al, Pd and Be; X is an element selected from the group consisting of Y, La, Ce, Sm, Md, Hf, Nb and Ta; and c, d and e represent atomic percentages within the ranges of  $20 \le c \le 80$ ,  $20 \le d \le 80$ , and  $0 \le e \le 35$ , respectively.

Claim 17. A golf ball head according to claim 5 wherein the metallic material is an amorphous metal of the formula:  $Zr_cM_dX_e$ , wherein Zr is Zirconium; M is an element selected from the group consisting of V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Ti, Mo, W, Ca, Li, Mg, Si,

Al, Pd and Be; X is an element selected from the group consisting of Y, La, Ce, Sm, Md, Hf, Nb and Ta; and c, d and e represent atomic percentages within the ranges of  $20 \le c \le 80$ ,  $20 \le d \le 80$ , and  $0 \le e \le 35$ , respectively.

Claim 18. A golf ball head according to claim 1 wherein the metallic material is an amorphous metal of the formula:  $Zr_cM_dX_e$ , wherein Zr is Zirconium; M is an element selected from the group consisting of V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Ti, Mo, W, Ca, Li, Mg, Si, Al, Pd and Be; X is an element selected from the group consisting of Y, La, Ce, Sm, Md, Hf, Nb and Ta; and Ce, Ce

Claim 19. A golf ball head according to claim 5 wherein the metallic material is an amorphous metal of the formula:  $Zr_cM_dX_e$ , wherein Zr is Zirconium; M is an element selected from the group consisting of V, Cr, Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, Ti, Mo, W, Ca, Li, Mg, Si, Al, Pd and Be; X is an element selected from the group consisting of Y, La, Ce, Sm, Md, Hf, Nb and Ta; and c, d and e represent atomic percentages within the ranges of  $50 \le c \le 75$ ,  $25 \le d \le 50$ , and  $0 \le e \le 1$ , respectively.—

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